

Factsheet: Significant Changes in 2021 ISCCS

Focus on Supporting Compliance

- WADA's focus is on supporting Signatory compliance – sanctions for non-compliance are a last resort measure.

Streamlined Compliance Process

- New non-conformities identified during the ongoing compliance process will be added to an ongoing process, and the timeframe for correction will be adapted accordingly.
- If a Signatory corrects a non-compliance issue, the procedure will be ended and no consequences will be imposed, unless:
 - The matter has gone to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), which finds that the non-conformity has resulted in irreparable prejudice to the fight against doping and decides to impose consequences; and/or
 - Costs have been incurred in pursuing the case before CAS and must be covered by the Signatory.

Strengthened Continuous Compliance Monitoring

- WADA can use various means of monitoring compliance with Code requirements, including between the time non-conformities have been corrected and the next compliance reporting/audit.
- More detail has been added about how WADA will monitor and ensure Code Compliance by Major Event Organizations (MEOs), including:
 - Tailored Code Compliance Questionnaire (CCQ);
 - Timeline adapted to their Major Events for the completion of any corrective actions; and
 - Inclusion of WADA Auditors in the Independent Observer Team at Major Events to monitor and review compliance in view of the anti-doping program of the MEO's next Major Event.



Changes in Potential Consequences for Non-Compliance

- Grading of the Code requirements (and related corrective actions/consequences) by their importance changed to 'Critical', 'High Priority' and 'General' (was 'Other').
- List of potential consequences has been moved from the ISCCS to the Code.
- List of potential consequences has been expanded and now includes:
 - Ability to suspend funding until the non-conformity is corrected;
 - Possibility to deny the right to host events using a staggered approach, starting with regional events, then World Championships, and in most serious cases Olympic/Paralympic Games);
 - Possibility to deny the right to participate in events using a staggered approach, starting with regional events etc.; starting with the officials, and in most serious cases, excluding athletes);
 - Possibility to impose fines for non-compliance not only with 'Critical', but also with 'High Priority' requirements;
 - Removal of the ceiling for the fine for non-compliance with 'Critical' requirements; and
 - Possibility for Signatories outside of the Olympic Movement to lose their status as a Signatory to the Code, without any entitlement to reimbursement of any annual fees paid.